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Subject: Re: OSP Weekly Report June 6-10, 2016

Use this version of the tire crumb entry, please, for accuracy. Thanks.

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To: Dannel, Mimi; Fegley, Robert; McQueen, Jacqueline; Benner, Tim; Cantilli, Robert; Rodia, Monica; LaVay, Maggie; Drumm, Heather
Subject: OSP Weekly Report June 6-10, 2016

Good Afternoon,

First draft of this week's OSP report is below for your review.

OSP Weekly Report
Week of June 6 – June 10, 2016

Tire Crumb

- On June 10, representatives from NERL/ORD, OLEM, and CDC will visit the [REDACTED] tire crumb manufacturing plant in [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] plant is a state-of-the-art facility that provides tire crumb to some of the major synthetic turf field installers.

Early Guidance for NO₂ Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS)

- On June 10, OSP will participate in an early guidance meeting with the Administrator on the primary (health-based) NAAQS for oxides of nitrogen (NO₂). The NO₂ primary NAAQS was last reviewed in 2010, ORD/NCEA finalized an integrated science assessment in Jan 2016, and OAR/OAQPS is expected to release a first draft of the policy assessment later this summer. It is OSP's understanding that OAR's preliminary conclusion is that the current annual and 1-hour standards are adequate to protect public health. Edited to shorten slightly- changes ok?

Options Selection Meeting In-situ Uranium Recovery

- On June 9, OSP participated in... Since OSP will be covering this meeting for Dr. Burke, if it is a Tier 1 item should we add this item into this week's report?

Region 1 to host National Community Solar Partnership (NCSP) Workshop

- On June 9, Region 1's Green Remediation Coordinators, including Jan Szaro (Region 1 Superfund and Technology Liaison) will host a NCSP workshop on June 9. The NCSP is a partnership of EPA, DOE, HUD, USDA, and others that work with the public and private sector to expand access to community solar power, particularly for low and moderate income communities. A representative of EPA's RE-Powering America's Land will be leading one of the

presentations focusing on locating renewable energy on contaminated lands. Key stakeholders including financiers, developers, government agencies and community groups will be in attendance.

Region 5 Sustainability Week

- June 13-17 is Sustainability Week in Region 5, with daily events scheduled to promote learning, sharing and fun ways to incorporate sustainability into day-to-day activities. The Region 5 Regional Science Liaison, Carole Braverman, will host an Open House display on "How Green is Green?: ORD Research and the Science of Sustainability". Other events include a "Sustainable Chicago" walking tour and a mini film festival which will feature a short film on NCER's "People, Prosperity and the Planet" program.

ORD's Citizen Science Air Sensor Monitoring team Nominated for Region 2's Annual Award for Outstanding Assistance

- Region 2's Regional Science Council has created an award to recognize outstanding assistance from EPA staff-level scientists, engineers, or teams outside of the Region. This year, NERL's Tim Barzyk and Ron Williams and NRMRL's Gayle Hagler have been nominated for their outstanding assistance to Region 2 in the Agency's first ever project to work collaboratively with a community (the Ironbound community of Newark, NJ) to design and pilot a Citizen Science Toolbox that enabled community volunteers to use agency-built air sensor monitoring units to measure air pollutants of concern in their community. Region 2 states *"It is no exaggeration to suggest that Region 2's leadership in the area of supporting citizen science would not have been possible without the assistance provided by Ron, Gayle and Tim. Their focus on providing tools that support citizen science efforts is unique within ORD and closely aligned with our own Regional commitment as well as the interests of the other Regional offices. R2, and the communities whose efforts we hope to support, are quite fortunate to have as our partners these three talented and uniquely community-focused scientists."*

Administrator McCarthy Recognizes R9/ORD Biogas Research Efforts

- On June 1, Matt Small (Region 9 Regional Science Liaison) participated in a call with Administrator McCarthy where she recognized the efforts of Region 9 scientists to reduce food waste and boost energy production at water resource recovery facilities. ORD's Mike Kosuko and Steve Rock have been working with Region 9 on this research effort to help water resource recovery facilities boost energy production through the addition of non-traditional organic wastes, such as food scraps and agricultural byproducts. As a result of this effort, some of these facilities are becoming "energy positive", producing enough energy to power the facility and transferring excess energy into the electricity grid for use by others. Mimi- although this was from last week (didn't make it to us in time to include) and falls outside of the usual reporting window, because it involved the Administrator and OSP/ORD do you think Fred will want to include it?

Best,

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